PUBLIC HEALTH, LABOUR AND MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION SECRETARIAT

Issues Orders *re*. Transfer of Water Supply Distribution in Bangalore City Area from the Corporation to Government for Maintenance.

READ—

1. Government Order No. LLH 7 GCS 59, dated 11th August 1961.
2. Letter No. B-11. PR. 79/63-64, dated 21st October 1963, from the Commissioner, Corporation of the City of Bangalore.

ORDER NO. PLM 21 MNI 64, DATED BANGALORE, THE 4TH MAY 1964.

In Government Order dated 11th August 1961 read above, the work of supply and distribution of water in the Bangalore City area was handed over to the Corporation of the City of Bangalore with effect from 14th August 1961, subject to certain conditions specified therein.

2. The Corporation of the City of Bangalore have passed a resolution at their meeting held on 17th October 1963, urging Government to take over the entire Water Supply Department including the distribution system under the control of the Corporation as well as the Under-ground Drainage and Disposal of Sewage system. Pending finalisation of the arrangements calculated to transfer both the systems to the control of Government, it is considered necessary to take over immediately by Government the maintenance and operation of the Water Supply and Distribution System, without which it would not be possible to ensure effective supply of adequate water to the citizens of Bangalore during the summer and the ensuing months. Government are, therefore, pleased to direct that the water supply distribution of Bangalore City be transferred by the Corporation of the City of Bangalore to Government in the Public Works Department subject to the following conditions:—

(i) The Corporation shall transfer to Government the entire water supply machinery and equipment in respect of both the Civil and City areas;

(ii) No payment shall be made in respect of the machinery and the equipment pertaining to the water supply installations for the City area which were transferred to the control of the Corporation as per Government Order dated 11th August 1961 since the Corporation has not paid any instalments in this behalf. But the Corporation shall pay depreciation charges to Government for the period the machinery and equipment were under their maintenance and operation;

(iii) The value of the Corporation property relating to water supply machinery and equipment in respect of the Civil area shall be paid at the book value which would be assessed by a team of competent Engineers to be appointed by Government for this purpose;

(iv) The mode of payment in respect of the assets to be determined as in (iii) above shall be in 20 equal annual instalments together with 5 per cent interest thereon;

(v) The assets taken over from the Government regarding water supply in August 1961 shall be re-transferred to the Government on the same basis on which the Government transferred them to the Corporation;

(vi) Balance of store articles required for maintenance shall be taken over by Government. For such of the articles as have been purchased by the Corporation and still kept unutilised, payment shall be made by Government. No payment need be paid in respect of the articles which have been utilised on works provided they are consumable articles like alum, chlorine, etc.

If the store articles are in the form of pipes, pipe specials or pump sets, then the cost of the same *less* depreciation shall be paid by Government ;

(vii) The two vehicles taken over by the Corporation shall be taken back by the Government at the purchase value *plus* additions, if any, and *less* depreciation.

(viii) Government shall supply water to the citizens on a non-profit-no-loss basis. No free allowance will be charged for all the water consumed ;

(ix) It shall be the responsibility of the Corporation to collect the arrears of water charges oustanding as on the date of actual transfer ;

(x) The Government shall honour all agreements entered into by the Corporation with such of the firms, mills, industrial concerns, railways and statutory bodies such as C. I. T. B., and concerns of the Government of India ;

(xi) Pending constitution of the Water and Sewage Board, the entire staff to be transferred consequent on the transfer of water supply distribution system shall be treated as on deputation to Government and be transferred *en bloc* to the Board on its establishment ;

(xii) The services of the officers and officials spared from Government shall be withdrawn on transfer ;

(xiii) A committee consisting of representatives of the Public Works Department and the Corporation shall be set up to evaluate the total value of the distribution system transferred to Government as on the appointed day of transfer ;

(xiv) While transferring the assets and liabilities under National Water Supply and Drainage Scheme, the liability of the Corporation in this regard shall be transferred to Government and subsequently to the Board to be set up subject to the same terms as agreed upon ;

(xv) The Government shall accept all materials and equipments for which orders have been placed with firms by the Corporation and not executed, at the same terms and conditions entered into by the Corporation ;

(xvi) Road cutting for the purpose of laying various distribution lines, etc., shall be attended to by the P.W.D. Staff, the repair charges being paid to the Corporation as per Rules ;

(xvii) The Corporation shall be responsible for payment of water charges in respect of water consumed at public fountains, hydrants, etc. Pending installation of meters, the water charges shall be paid by the Corporation on a lump sum basis to be determined by the Chief Engineer.

3. These orders will take effect from the 15th May 1964. The Chief Engineer (General) and the Commissioner, Corporation of the City of Bangalore are requested to take immediate action to implement these directions.

4. The Commissioner of the Corporation is also requested to furnish immediately a consolidated list of all buildings, lands and such other moveable and immoveable properties as are now under the control of the Water Supply and Distribution System of the Corporation so as to enable the Chief Engineer (General), to take charge thereof on the appointed day, for handing over the properties.

5. An agreement incorporating the conditions outlined above has to be executed by the Corporation and the Government separately.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore,

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